

## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Soil Erosion

#### Sheet and Rill Erosion

##### Planning Criteria

Screening level: Permanent ground cover > 90% and slope < 10%.  
Assessment level: The water erosion rate is <= T.

##### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

##### Evaluation Test Met

Irrigation water use is managed to reduce irrigation induced soil erosion.

Yes ☐ No ☐

The orchard or vineyard floor is covered by protective plants during critical erosion periods. <state provides critical erosion period(s) list; may be different within different regions of the same state>

Yes ☐ No ☐

Row orientation is across the slope or on a contour. (Applies nursery crops, orchards and vineyards)

Yes ☐ No ☐

### Wind Erosion

##### Planning Criteria

Screening level: Permanent ground cover > 90% and slope < 10%.  
Assessment level: The wind erosion rate is <= T.

##### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

##### Evaluation Test Met

The orchard or vineyard floor is covered by protective plants during critical erosion periods. <state provides critical erosion period(s) list; may be different within different regions of the same state>

Yes ☐ No ☐

Tree and shrub rows are placed perpendicular, or as close as possible, to prevailing winds.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Existing windbreak(s)/shelterbelt(s) function has been improved or restored.

Yes ☐ No ☐

## **CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial**

### **Ephemeral Gully Erosion**

#### **Planning Criteria**

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Screening level: Ephemeral gullies are not occurring. Assessment level: Conservation practices and managements are in place to prevent or control ephemeral gullies.

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### **Evaluation Tests**

#### **Evaluation Test Met**

All temporary or permanent rills and gullies are stabilized. All areas expected to have high erosion rates are stable.

Yes ☐ No ☐

### **Classic Gully Erosion**

#### **Planning Criteria**

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Screening level: Classic gullies are not present. Assessment level: Classic gully management is adequate to stop the progression of head cutting and widening and are offsite impacts are minimized by vegetation and/or structures.

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### **Evaluation Tests**

#### **Evaluation Test Met**

All temporary or permanent rills and gullies are stabilized. All areas expected to have high erosion rates are stable.

Yes ☐ No ☐

## **CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial**

### **Streambank, Shoreline, Water Conveyance Channels**

#### **Planning Criteria**

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Screening level: Streams, shoreline or channels are not adjacent to site.

Yes ☐

No ☐

Assessment level: For shorelines and water conveyance channels; banks are stable or commensurate with normal geomorphological processes, AND if bank erosion is present, it is beyond the client's control or commensurate with normal geomorphological processes, AND for streambanks, SVAP2 bank condition element score > 5.

#### **Evaluation Tests**

#### **Evaluation Test Met**

Excluding all fundamentally unstable, natural geomorphic streambanks/shorelines, all streambanks/shorelines on the operation show few signs of erosion or bank failure. Each is stable and protected with natural materials.

Yes ☐

No ☐

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### Soil Quality Degradation

#### Organic Matter Depletion

##### Planning Criteria

##### Planning Criteria Met

Screening level: Permanent ground cover > 80%. Assessment level:  
The SCI is > 0.

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

##### Evaluation Test Met

No-till or reduced tillage/planting methods are used on all crops grown  
in alley middles.

Yes ☐ No ☐

The orchard or vineyard floor is covered by protective plants for the  
majority of the year.

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Compaction

##### Planning Criteria

##### Planning Criteria Met

Screening level: Soil compaction is not a problem AND activities do  
not cause soil compaction problems. Assessment level: Compaction is  
managed to meet client's production and management objectives.

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

##### Evaluation Test Met

Soil moisture is tested to reduce soil compaction. Typical methods  
include moisture-by-feel or moisture meters.

Yes ☐ No ☐

The crop rotation includes crops or cover crops with deep roots that  
extend through the soil profile to break up compacted layers. <see  
state lists>

Yes ☐ No ☐

**CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial****Concentration of Salts and other Chemicals****Planning Criteria**

Screening level: Activities do not cause salinity/sodicity problems.  
Assessment level: Conservation practices and managements are in place to mitigate on-site effects.

**Planning Criteria Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**Evaluation Tests**

An irrigation water management plan is followed. Sufficient water is applied to maintain a proper salt balance in the soil profile.

**Evaluation Test Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Excess Water

#### Runoff and Flooding and Ponding

##### Planning Criteria

##### Planning Criteria Met

Screening level: Ponding or flooding not a problem AND activities do not cause ponding/flooding problems. Assessment level: Excess water is managed to meet client's objectives.

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

##### Evaluation Test Met

Excessive water runoff, flooding, and water ponding are not concerns; or measures are applied such as grassed waterways, terraces, diversions, filter strips to reduce excessive runoff; or if flooding is a concern crops and field activities are managed within the seasonal flooding periods; or where ponding is a concern land leveling or shallow surface drains prevent ponding of water that limits crop production.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Land smoothing operations were done to fix issues caused by flooding or ponding or runoff that damaged crops.

Yes ☐ No ☐

### Drifted Snow

##### Planning Criteria

##### Planning Criteria Met

Screening level: Drifted snow does not cause a problem. Assessment level: Excess water is managed to meet client's objectives.

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

##### Evaluation Test Met

Drifted snow is not a concern in this climate or measures are applied to avoid snow drifts on crops that may be harmed.

Yes ☐ No ☐

## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Insufficient Water

#### Inefficient Use of Irrigation Water

##### Planning Criteria

##### Planning Criteria Met

Screening level: PLU is not irrigated. Assessment level: The irrigation system components and management result in a Farm Irrigation Rating Index > 60 AND meets applicable State in-stream flow and lake and pond water levels requirements.

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

##### Evaluation Test Met

An irrigation water management plan is followed that: -meets the crop's needs, while maximizing irrigation water efficiency, -schedules water application based on soil moisture monitoring and/or evapotranspiration monitoring, -measures and records the amount of water you use to irrigate as it comes onto the farm and goes to each field, AND -the system's distribution uniformity has been evaluated and necessary changes were made.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Cover crops are killed timely to conserve soil moisture for the next crop.

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Inefficient Moisture Management

##### Planning Criteria

##### Planning Criteria Met

Screening level: Moisture management is not a problem AND activities do not cause inefficient moisture management problems. Assessment level: Runoff and evapotranspiration levels are minimized to meet client's management objectives.

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

##### Evaluation Test Met

Cover crops are killed timely to conserve soil moisture for the next crop.

Yes ☐ No ☐

The existing plant community was selected to efficiently utilize available moisture.

Yes ☐ No ☐

## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Water Quality Degradation

#### Pesticides in Surface Water

##### **Planning Criteria**

Screening level: Pest control chemicals are not applied. Assessment level: Pesticides are stored, handled, disposed and managed to prevent runoff, spills, leaks and leaching AND conservation practices and managements are in place to minimize surface water impacts.

##### **Planning Criteria Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### **Evaluation Tests**

A site-specific mixture of prevention, avoidance, monitoring, and suppression (PAMS) strategies are applied. If pesticide application is required, an environmental risk screening tool is used (such as WIN-PST or similar LGU approval tool) and application rates and timing are compliant with the label and the conservation plan.

##### **Evaluation Test Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Pesticides in Ground Water

##### **Planning Criteria**

Screening level: Pest control chemicals are not applied. Assessment level: Pesticides are stored, handled, disposed and managed to prevent runoff, spills, leaks and leaching AND conservation practices and managements are in place to minimize ground water impacts.

##### **Planning Criteria Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### **Evaluation Tests**

A site-specific mixture of prevention, avoidance, monitoring, and suppression (PAMS) strategies are applied. If pesticide application is required, an environmental risk screening tool is used (such as WIN-PST or similar LGU approval tool) and application rates and timing are compliant with the label and the conservation plan.

##### **Evaluation Test Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐



## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Nutrients in Surface Water

#### Planning Criteria

Screening level: Organic or inorganic nutrients are not applied AND the PLU is not grazed. Assessment level: Nutrient and amendment applications are based on soil or tissue tests and nutrient budgets for realistic yields AND conservation practices and managements are in place to minimize surface water impacts.

#### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Evaluation Tests

Livestock access to stream is controlled OR limited to small watering or crossing areas.

#### Evaluation Test Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

If nutrients are applied, a nutrient budget is used to determine all application rates, including: - Realistic yield goals, - Nutrient uptake requirements, and - Available nutrient accounting for each of the following: (a) N, P, K from representative soil tests ( $\leq 3$  yrs), (b) Soil organic matter mineralization, (c) Legumes in rotation, (d) Previous applications of manure and other organic based materials, (e) Planned post-harvest residual soil test levels, (f) Available nutrient analysis for each nutrient source, and (g) Available nutrient uptake efficiencies from planned application rate, source, method, timing and placement. All state specific application setbacks are maintained for all nutrient applications.

Yes ☐ No ☐

The land adjacent to a stream, river, or other waterbody on the side or sides you control does: - have diverse, natural plant cover typical to that along streams in your area, - extend from the stream bank/shoreline for a distance of 35 feet or (if applicable) the minimum State buffer-width requirement, whichever is greater, AND - have few places where concentrated runoff flows through.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Filter strips that are at least 30 feet wide are established and maintained.

Yes ☐ No ☐

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### Nutrients in Ground Water

#### Planning Criteria

Screening level: Organic or inorganic nutrients are not applied AND PLU is not grazed. Assessment level: Nutrient and amendment applications are based on soil or tissue tests and nutrient budgets for realistic yields AND conservation practices and managements are in place to minimize ground water impacts.

#### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Evaluation Tests

If nutrients are applied, a nutrient budget is used to determine all application rates, including: - Realistic yield goals, - Nutrient uptake requirements, and - Available nutrient accounting for each of the following: (a) N, P, K from representative soil tests ( $\leq 3$  yrs), (b) Soil organic matter mineralization, (c) Legumes in rotation, (d) Previous applications of manure and other organic based materials, (e) Planned post-harvest residual soil test levels, (f) Available nutrient analysis for each nutrient source, and (g) Available nutrient uptake efficiencies from planned application rate, source, method, timing and placement. All state specific application setbacks are maintained for all nutrient applications.

#### Evaluation Test Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

### Salts in Surface Water

#### Planning Criteria

Screening level: Excess salt is not a problem AND activities do not contribute to excess salt problem. Assessment level: Salt concentrations are managed to mitigate off-site transport to surface waters.

#### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Evaluation Tests

The concentration and likely harmfulness of salt is managed to limit impact on desired plants.

#### Evaluation Test Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

An irrigation water management plan is followed. Sufficient water is applied to maintain a proper salt balance in the soil profile.

Yes ☐ No ☐

## **CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial**

### **Excess Pathogens and Chemicals from Manure, Bio-solids or Compost Applications in Surface Water**

#### **Planning Criteria**

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Screening level: Potential sources of pathogens or pharmaceuticals are not applied on the land. Assessment level: Organic materials are applied, stored, and/or handled to mitigate negative impacts to surface water sources.

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### **Evaluation Tests**

#### **Evaluation Test Met**

Livestock access to streams is limited to short periods of time and small areas.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Filter strips that are at least 30 feet wide are established and maintained.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Manure and other biosolids are applied using a nutrient budget to determine all application rates, including: - Realistic yield goals, - Nutrient uptake requirements, and - Available nutrient accounting for each of the following: (a) N, P, K from representative soil tests ( $\leq$  3yrs), (b) Soil organic matter mineralization, (c) Legumes in rotation, (d) Avoiding manure applications when soils are frozen, snow covered, or saturated, (e) Planned post-harvest residual soil test levels, (f) Available nutrient analysis for each nutrient source, and (g) Available nutrient uptake efficiencies from planned application rate, source, method, timing and placement. All state specific application setbacks are maintained for all nutrient applications. Minimum setbacks are maintained from drainageways, wells, ditched, streams, rivers, and water bodies.

Yes ☐ No ☐

## **CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial**

### **Excess Pathogens and Chemicals from Manure, Bio-solids or Compost Applications in Ground Water**

#### **Planning Criteria**

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Screening level: Potential sources of pathogens or pharmaceuticals are not applied on the land. Assessment level: Organic materials are applied, stored, and/or handled to mitigate negative impacts to groundwater sources.

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### **Evaluation Tests**

#### **Evaluation Test Met**

Manure and other biosolids are applied using a nutrient budget to determine all application rates, including:- Realistic yield goals,- Nutrient uptake requirements, and- Available nutrient accounting for each of the following:(a) N, P, K from representative soil tests ( $\leq$  3yrs),(b) Soil organic matter mineralization,(c) Legumes in rotation,(d) Avoiding manure applications when soils are frozen, snow covered, or saturated,(e) Planned post-harvest residual soil test levels,(f) Available nutrient analysis for each nutrient source, and(g) Available nutrient uptake efficiencies from planned application rate, source, method, timing and placement.All state specific application setbacks are maintained for all nutrient applications.Minimum setbacks are maintained from drainageways, wells, ditched, streams, rivers, and water bodies.

Yes ☐ No ☐

### **Petroleum, Heavy Metal and Other Pollutants Transported to Surface Water**

#### **Planning Criteria**

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Screening level: Activities do not present the potential for contamination by petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants. Assessment level: Petroleum, heavy metals or other potential pollutants are stored and handled to avoid runoff to surface water.

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### **Evaluation Tests**

#### **Evaluation Test Met**

The fuel storage area and tank is located: - above the 100-year floodplain, - a minimum of 100 feet from any river, stream, ditch, pond, lake, sinkhole, wetland, or water well, and - within a stable place designed to provide secondary containment if the primary means were to fail.

Yes ☐ No ☐

## **CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial**

### **Petroleum, Heavy Metal and Other Pollutants Transported to Ground Water**

#### **Planning Criteria**

Screening level: Activities do not present the potential for contamination by petroleum, heavy metals and other pollutants.  
Assessment level: Petroleum, heavy metals or other potential pollutants are stored and handled to avoid runoff to groundwater.

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### **Evaluation Tests**

The fuel storage area and tank is located: - above the 100-year floodplain, - a minimum of 100 feet from any river, stream, ditch, pond, lake, sinkhole, wetland, or water well, and - within a stable place designed to provide secondary containment if the primary means were to fail.

#### **Evaluation Test Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Excessive Sediment in Surface Water

#### Planning Criteria

Screening level: Permanent ground cover > 90% and slope < 10% AND classic gullies are not present AND streams or shoreline are not on or adjacent to site. Assessment level: Upslope treatment and buffer practices address concentrated flows to water bodies AND the SVAP2 - bank condition  $\geq 5$  AND the livestock and vehicle water crossings are stable AND The water erosion rate is  $\leq T$  AND wind erosion rate is  $\leq T$ .

#### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Evaluation Tests

#### Evaluation Test Met

Established filter strips are at least 20 feet wide and maintained.

Yes ☐ No ☐

The land adjacent to a stream, river, or other waterbody on the side or sides you control does: - have diverse, natural plant cover typical to that along streams in your area, - extend from the stream bank/shoreline for a distance of 35 feet or (if applicable) the minimum State buffer-width requirement, whichever is greater, AND - have few places where concentrated runoff flows through.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Tree and shrub rows are placed on or near contours.

Yes ☐ No ☐

All temporary or permanent rills and gullies are stabilized.

Yes ☐ No ☐

## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Elevated Water Temperature

#### Planning Criteria

Screening level: Water courses on or adjacent to the site are not designated by a State Agency as a temperature impairment OR water course temperature is not a client concern. Assessment level: The SVAP2 - riparian area quality element score is  $\geq 5$  AND the SVAP2 - riparian area quantity quality element score is  $\geq 5$  AND the SVAP2 - canopy cover element score is  $\geq 6$ , OR existing conservation practices are in place to address water temperature.

#### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Evaluation Tests

More than 50 percent of the water surface is shaded on the length of the stream/river you control.

#### Evaluation Test Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Air Quality Impacts

#### Emissions of Ozone Precursors

##### **Planning Criteria**

Screening level: Operations are not present that produce ozone precursor emissions. Ozone precursor producing activities are: Engines (combustion source), Pesticide application, Burning, CAFO/manure management, Fertilization (manure/commercial). Assessment level: Ozone precursor emissions are managed to meet client objectives.

##### **Planning Criteria Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### **Evaluation Tests**

Ozone precursor producing activities are minimized by using one or more of the following activities: Reducing combustible engines exhaust via TIER 4 engine, applying IPM principles for pesticide applications, injection or incorporation of manure, nitrogen fertilizer incorporation or use of a nitrogen stabilizer.

##### **Evaluation Test Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Emission of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs)

##### **Planning Criteria**

Screening level: Activities are not present that produce GHGs emissions. GHG producing activities are: Fertilization(manure/commercial), CAFO/manure management, Engines (combustion source), Tillage, AND GHGs are not regulated in this planning area. Assessment level: Greenhouse gas emissions are managed to meet client objectives.

##### **Planning Criteria Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### **Evaluation Tests**

If Nitrogen is applied, Nitrogen is applied as close as possible to crop uptake needs at the recommended rates.

##### **Evaluation Test Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐



**CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial****Objectionable Odors****Planning Criteria**

Screening level: Activities are not present that contribute to odor nuisance air quality conditions. Odor nuisance producing activities are: Pesticide application, CAFO/manure management, Composting is conducted, AND odor sources are not regulated in this planning area AND episodes or complaints of odor nuisance have not occurred. Assessment level: Odors are managed to meet client objectives.

**Planning Criteria Met**Yes ☐ No ☐**Evaluation Tests**

Manure is applied and immediately incorporated or applied when wind direction is away from human occupied areas.

**Evaluation Test Met**Yes ☐ No ☐

## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Degraded Plant Condition

#### Undesirable Plant Productivity and Health

##### Planning Criteria

Screening level: Plant production and health is not a client concern.  
Assessment level: Plants are adapted to the site, meet production goals and do not negatively impact other resources AND plant damage from wind erosion is below Crop Damage Tolerance levels.

##### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

Plants and crops are adapted to the soil and site conditions and produce average yield levels for the county in typical years.

##### Evaluation Test Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### Excessive Plant Pest Pressure

##### Planning Criteria

Screening level: Plant productivity is not limited from pest pressure.  
Assessment level: Pest damage to plants are below economic or environmental thresholds or client-identified criteria AND plant pests, including noxious and invasive species are managed to meet client objectives.

##### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

Weeds, insects, and diseases do not limit crop production.

##### Evaluation Test Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

**CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial****Wildfire Hazard, Excessive Biomass Accumulation****Planning Criteria**

Screening level: Wildfire hazards is not a concern. Assessment level:  
Fuel loads and fuel ladders are managed to provide defensible space  
and meet client objectives.

**Planning Criteria Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**Evaluation Tests**

Fire is not a typical hazard for crops and/or fire protection measure are  
applied such as firebreaks or activities to reduce the fuel loads around  
or within the crop fields.

**Evaluation Test Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

## CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial

### Fish and Wildlife - Inadequate Habitat

#### Inadequate Habitat - Food

##### Planning Criteria

Assessment level: The WHSI rating is  $\geq 0.5$  AND (when surface stream present) the SVAP2 - fish habitat complexity element score is  $\geq 7$  AND the SVAP2 - aquatic invertebrate habitat element score is  $\geq 7$ , OR conservation practices and managements are in place that meet or exceed species or guild-specific habitat model thresholds, OR food is available in quality and extent to support habitat requirements for the species of interest.

##### Planning Criteria Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

##### Evaluation Tests

Designated areas are planted as food and habitat for pollinators/beneficial insects. For example, planted to nectar and pollen producing plants and protected from disruption--chemical, biological, or mechanical.

##### Evaluation Test Met

Yes ☐ No ☐

The land adjacent to a stream, river, or other waterbody on the side or sides you control does: - have diverse, natural plant cover typical to that along streams in your area, AND - extend from the stream bank/shoreline for a distance of 35 feet or (if applicable) the minimum State buffer-width requirement, whichever is greater.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Plant growth and cover is managed to develop and maintain habitat to help chosen wildlife species. <see State Wildlife Action Plan>

Yes ☐ No ☐

## **CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial**

### **Inadequate Habitat - Cover/Shelter**

#### **Planning Criteria**

Assessment level: The WHSI rating is  $\geq 0.5$  AND (when surface stream present) the SVAP2 - barriers to movement element score is  $\geq 7$  AND the SVAP2 - fish habitat complexity element score is  $\geq 7$  AND the SVAP2 - aquatic invertebrate habitat element score is  $\geq 7$ , OR conservation practices and managements are in place that meet or exceed species or guild-specific habitat model thresholds, OR cover is of available quality and extent to support habitat requirements for the species of interest.

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### **Evaluation Tests**

Designated areas are planted as food and habitat for pollinators/beneficial insects. For example, planted to nectar and pollen producing plants and protected from disruption--chemical, biological, or mechanical.

#### **Evaluation Test Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

Livestock access to stream is controlled OR limited to small watering or crossing areas

Yes ☐ No ☐

Forage harvests cover patterns and minimum plant heights are planned for a desired wildlife species. <See species list State Wildlife Action Plan>

Yes ☐ No ☐

All stream banks show few signs of erosion or bank failure. Each is stable and protected with natural materials.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Plant growth and cover is managed to develop and maintain habitat to help chosen wildlife species. <see State Wildlife Action Plan>

Yes ☐ No ☐

Internally drained features such as playas or potholes are left undrained and uncropped.

Yes ☐ No ☐

**CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial****Inadequate Habitat - Water****Planning Criteria**

Assessment level: The WHSI rating is  $\geq 0.5$  AND (when surface stream present) the SVAP2 - aquatic invertebrate habitat element score is  $\geq 7$ , OR conservation practices and managements are in place that meet or exceed species or guild-specific habitat model thresholds, OR water is available in quality and extent to support habitat requirements for the species of interest.

**Planning Criteria Met**Yes ☐ No ☐**Evaluation Tests**

Changes to water flow for irrigation or otherwise are limited to not alter the stream's usual flow.

**Evaluation Test Met**Yes ☐ No ☐

## **CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial**

### **Inadequate Habitat - Habitat Continuity (Space)**

#### **Planning Criteria**

Assessment level: The WHSI rating is  $\geq 0.5$  AND (when surface stream present) the SVAP2 - barriers to movement element score is  $\geq 7$  AND the SVAP2 - aquatic invertebrate habitat element score is  $\geq 7$ , OR conservation practices and managements are in place that meet or exceed species or guild-specific habitat model thresholds, OR The connectivity of habitat components are adequate to support stable populations of targeted species.

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### **Evaluation Tests**

Connectivity between food resources and cover and shelter is provided for the chosen wildlife species. <see State Wildlife Action Plan>

Yes ☐ No ☐

Designated areas are planted as habitat for pollinators/beneficial insects. Non-cropped area protected from disruption during nesting and foraging periods--chemical, biological, or mechanical.

Yes ☐ No ☐

The land adjacent to a stream, river, or other waterbody on the side or sides you control does: - have diverse, natural plant cover typical to that along streams in your area, AND - extend from the stream bank/shoreline for a distance of 35 feet or (if applicable) the minimum State buffer-width requirement, whichever is greater.

Yes ☐ No ☐

In-stream structures (dam, diversion structure, bridge, culvert, low-water stream crossing, etc.) allow for the upstream/downstream movement of fish and other aquatic animals throughout most of the year.

Yes ☐ No ☐

People, vehicles, equipment, or livestock are only moved across a stream/river at a bridge, culvert, or stabilized ford crossing(s). Travel across the stream/river beyond these crossings is controlled.

Yes ☐ No ☐

**CSP-2017-1\_MT - Ag Land\_Crop Perennial****Livestock Production Limitation****Inadequate Feed and Forage****Planning Criteria****Planning Criteria Met**

Assessment level: When the land use has a "grazed" modifier, livestock forage, roughage and supplemental nutritional requirements addressed.

Yes ☐ No ☐

**Evaluation Tests****Evaluation Test Met**

The existing feed/forage quantity/quality meet the livestock needs and goals.

Yes ☐ No ☐



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**Inefficient Energy Use**

**Equipment and Facilities**

**Planning Criteria**

**Planning Criteria Met**

Screening level: Client is not interested in improving equipment and facilities energy efficiency. Assessment level: Major components of a USDA approved energy audit have been implemented that address equipment and facilities to meet client objectives OR On-farm renewable energy and/or energy conserving practices have been implemented to meet client objectives.

Yes ☐ No ☐

**Evaluation Tests**

**Evaluation Test Met**

Recommendations/components of an energy audit have been applied. The audit addressed equipment and facilities on the farm. For example, energy loss from lighting, drying, refrigeration, heating, or building insulation have been improved.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Renewable energy systems are applied. For example, solar, wind, geothermal, or hydro.

Yes ☐ No ☐

## **CSP-2017-1 MT - Ag Land Crop Perennial**

### **Farming/Ranching Practices and Field Operations**

#### **Planning Criteria**

#### **Planning Criteria Met**

Screening level: Client is not interested in improving equipment and facilities energy efficiency. Assessment level: Major components of a USDA approved energy audit have been implemented that address equipment and facilities to meet client objectives OR On-farm renewable energy and/or energy conserving practices have been implemented to meet client objectives.

Yes ☐ No ☐

#### **Evaluation Tests**

#### **Evaluation Test Met**

Recommendations/components of an energy audit have been applied. The audit addressed field operations on the farm. For example, energy loss from driven equipment, irrigation, or pumping have been improved.

Yes ☐ No ☐

An irrigation water management plan is followed that: -meets the crop's needs, while maximizing irrigation water efficiency, -schedules water application based on soil moisture monitoring and/or evapotranspiration monitoring, -measures and records the amount of water you use to irrigate as it comes onto the farm and goes to each field, AND -the system's distribution uniformity has been evaluated and necessary changes were made.

Yes ☐ No ☐